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FOR THE SIXTH CIRCUIT

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Re: Case No. 21-3991, *Timothy Moxley, et al v. The Ohio State University* Originating Case No. : 2:21-cv-03838

Dear Counsel,

The Court issued the enclosed Order today in this case.

Sincerely yours,

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Enclosure

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TIMOTHY MOXLEY, et al.,)	
Plaintiffs-Appellants,)	
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v.)	<u>O R D E R</u>
THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY,)	
Defendant-Appellee.)	

Before: McKEAGUE, WHITE, and READLER, Circuit Judges.

Plaintiffs appeal a district court order granting Defendant The Ohio State University's motion to dismiss in this case arising from sexual assault allegations against a university physician and team doctor. Plaintiffs move for leave file a corrected complaint and corrected amended complaint on the district court's docket to replace those already filed. They assert that the documents, as currently filed, each include one paragraph that inadvertently mentions a plaintiff's true name rather than using the appropriate John Doe designation. They seek this relief *nunc pro tunc*. Plaintiffs represent that Defendant consents to the corrected filings.

"The court may correct a clerical mistake or a mistake arising from oversight or omission whenever one is found in a judgment, order, or other part of the record." Fed. R. Civ. P. 60(a). "But after an appeal has been docketed in the appellate court and while it is pending, such a mistake may be corrected only with the appellate court's leave." *Id.* "The basic purpose of the rule is to

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authorize the court to correct errors that are mechanical in nature." *In re Walter*, 282 F.3d 434, 440 (6th Cir. 2002). Plaintiffs assert that only one paragraph of the original complaint, which was unchanged in the amended complaint, inadvertently failed to use the appropriate John Doe designation and instead referred to the plaintiff by name. Here, where Plaintiffs' failure to use the appropriate John Doe designation arose from oversight or omission, application of Rule 60(a) is appropriate. *Cf. id.* at 441.

Accordingly, the motion for leave to correct filings *nunc pro tunc* is **GRANTED**.

ENTERED BY ORDER OF THE COURT

Deborah S. Hunt, Clerk